

APPENDIX A

The following is a marked-up version of the amended claim in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. Applicants have used the convention underline to indicate added text and [square brackets] to indicate deleted text.

7. (Once Amended) A method for associating a field replaceable unit with a medical diagnostic system, the method comprising:

querying for information on a field replaceable unit to be associated with a medical diagnostic system by sending a query to an electronic device associated with the field replaceable unit;

receiving identification information on the field replaceable unit from the electronic device;

receiving association information from a remote service facility;

[The method of claim 5, wherein the step of receiving association information from the remote service facility comprises] generating a subscription file based upon the association information, the subscription file including data uniquely identifying a field service unit and a service subscription for the medical diagnostic system and storing the subscription file in a machine readable form; and

configuring the medical diagnostic system in accordance with the association information and identification information.